

2016 Lancaster County Election Calendar

Primary Election -- May 10, 2016

General Election -- November 8, 2016

2015	December	Statutory Reference
December 1	First Day a person may file for office to have their name placed on the ballot as a candidate at the 2016 Election.	December 1 (32-606)
December 4	Last day for any potential candidate to change his/her party affiliation in order to be eligible to file as a candidate in that party's Primary Election.	First Friday in December (32-612)
2016	January	Statutory Reference
January 10	First day to accept early voting request for Primary Election.	Not more than 120 days prior to the Primary (32-941)
	February	
February 16	5:00 p.m. -- Incumbent Filing Deadline	February 15 (32-606)
	March	
March 1	5:00 p.m. -- Non-Incumbent Filing Deadline	March 1 (32-606)
March 1	Last Day a candidate may withdraw	March 1 (32-622)
March 1	Last Day for a Political Subdivision to certify a special issue for inclusion on the Primary Election Ballot	March 1 (32-559)
March 25	Ballots ready for UOCAVA Voters	45 days prior to Primary (32-939.02)
No Later than March 30	Notice of Election Publication -- Lincoln Journal Star	Not later than 40 days prior to Election (32-802)
2016	April	Statutory Reference
April 4	Early Voting BY MAIL begins	35 days prior to Primary (32-808)
April 11	Early Voting IN PERSON begins	Thirty (30) days prior to Primary (32-942)
April 22	Postmark Deadline for mailed-in voter registrations	Third Friday preceeding the Election (32-321)
April 22	At close of business, last day that voter registrations can be completed Online, at DMV/County Treasurers	Third Friday preceeding the Election (32-308)
April 22	6:00 p.m. -- Deadline for deputy registrars to register voters for an upcoming Election.	Third Friday preceeding the Election (32-306)
April 22	At close of business, last day that voter registrations can be completed at State Agencies/Departments for the person to be registered to vote in an upcoming Election.	Third Friday preceeding the Election (32-310)
April 22	First day sample ballot may be published in Lincoln Journal Star	15 days prior to Election (32-803)

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2016	May	Statutory Reference
May 2**	Last day for write-in candidate to file notarized affidavit and filing fee with the filing officer	No later than the second Friday prior to the Election (32-615)
May 2**	6:00 p.m. -- Deadline for in person voter registration.	2nd Friday preceding the Election (32-302)
May 4	4:00 p.m. -- Deadline to receive an application for Early Voting ballots to be mailed out to a specific address	Wednesday before the Election (32-941)
May 7	Last day sample ballot may be published in Lincoln Journal Star	Not later than 2 days before the Election (32-803)
May 9	7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. -- Last day for Early Voting -- in person -- at Election Commissioner's Office	(32-942)
May 10	STATEWIDE Primary Election	1st Tuesday after the 2nd Monday in May (32-401)
May 10	Polls open 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	(32-943)
May 10	7:00 p.m. -- Deadline for agent to pick up Early Voting Ballot	(32-943)
May 10	8:00 p.m. -- Close of the polls is the deadline for return of early voting ballot/return of voter registration form with an Early Voting Ballot.	(32-941) (32-943) (32-950)

Please Note: The Election Commissioner may offer additional hours for early voting prior to the election. Please contact the election office at 402 441-7311 for more information.

** Date moved to from Friday, April 29th to Monday, May 2nd due to the state holiday observance of Arbor Day

2016	July	Statutory Reference
July 11	First day to accept early voting request for General Election.	Not more than 120 days prior to the General (32-941)
July 15	5:00 p.m. -- Incumbent Filing Deadline for offices not on the General Ballot	July 15 (32-606)
2016	August	Statutory Reference
August 1	5:00 p.m. -- Non-Incumbent Filing Deadline for offices not on the Primary Ballot	August 1 (32-606)
August 1	Last Day a candidate may withdraw for those offices with a filing deadline of July 15 or August 1	August 1 (32-622)
2016	September	Statutory Reference
September 1	Last Day for a Political Subdivision to certify a special issue for inclusion on the General Election Ballot	September 1 (32-559)
September 23	Ballots ready for UOCAVA Voters	45 days prior to General (32-939.02)
No Later than September 28	Notice of Election Publication -- Lincoln Journal Star	Not later than 40 days prior to Election (32-802)

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2016	October	Statutory Reference
October 3	Early Voting BY MAIL begins	35 days prior to General (32-808)
October 10	Early Voting IN PERSON begins	Thirty (30) days prior to General (32-942)
October 21	Postmark Deadline for mailed-in voter registrations	Third Friday preceeding the Election (32-321)
October 21	Close of business -- Deadline that voter registrations can be completed Online, at DMV/County Treasurers	Third Friday preceeding the Election (32-308)
October 21	6:00 p.m. -- Deadline for deputy registrars to register voters for an upcoming Election.	Third Friday preceeding the Election (32-306)
October 21	Close of business -- Deadline that voter registrations can be completed at State Agencies/Departments for the person to be registered to vote in an upcoming Election.	Third Friday preceeding the Election (32-310)
October 21	First day sample ballot may be published in Lincoln Journal Star	15 days prior to Election (32-803)
October 28	Last day for write-in candidate to file notarized affidavit and filing fee with the filing officer	No later than the second Friday prior to the Election (32-615)
October 28	6:00 p.m. -- Deadline for in person voter registration.	2nd Friday preceding the Election (32-302)
2016	November	Statutory Reference
November 2	4:00 p.m. -- Deadline to receive an application for Early Voting ballots to be mailed out to a specific address	Wednesday before the Election (32-941)
November 5	Last day sample ballot may be published in Lincoln Journal Star	Not later than 2 days before the Election (32-803)
November 7	7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. -- Last day for Early Voting -- in person -- at Election Commissioner's Office	(32-942)
November 8	STATEWIDE General Election	1st Tuesday after the 1st Monday in November (32-403)
November 8	Polls open 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	(32-943)
November 8	7:00 p.m. -- Deadline for agent to pick up Early Voting Ballot	(32-943)
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